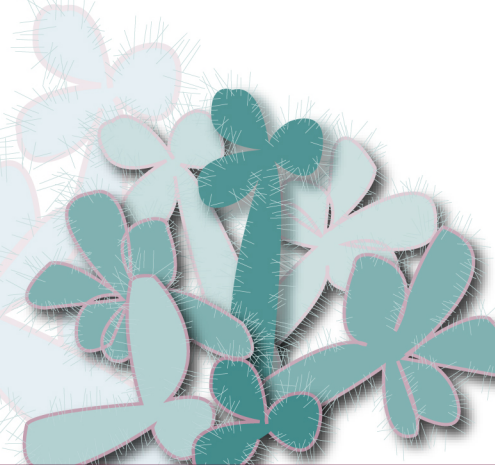




Cholla District Network News



Vice Mayor Manny Martinez, City of Glendale

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Beardsley Road Connector Project. On June 3rd, ADOT hosted a Public Open House on the final design for the Beardsley Road Connector & Union Hills Drive widening project. The open house was attended by representatives from the cities of Glendale and Peoria. For those who could not attend but would like information on the project, please visit the interactive Web site by clicking on the following link: www.peoriaaz.gov/buildingpeoria.



NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT SUCCESS STORY

Arrowhead Ranch II HOA Project.

Neighbors living in the Arrowhead Ranch II HOA, now have new landscaping as a result of a grant awarded for streetscaping features on 75th Avenue from Adobe Road to the Loop 101. Vice Mayor Manny Martinez and Mayor Scruggs recognized the neighbors during a dedication on March 18 for their efforts to improve their neighborhood.

Neighborhood Improvement Grants. The city of Glendale recently approved eight grants totaling \$359,478, which will assist residents with improvements to their neighborhoods. Residents who live in neighborhoods that are at least 15 years old may apply for the improvement grants, which are awarded twice a year.

As part of its commitment to revitalizing and preserving older neighborhoods, the City Council established the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Neighborhoods to make funding recommendations on neighborhood improvement grant requests and to provide feedback on policies, strategies and programs relating to neighborhoods. The commission's recommendations support the Council's strategic goal of one community with strong neighborhoods.

The Commission reviewed eight neighborhood grant requests, which were then approved by the Mayor and City Council.

Three of the approved requests are for neighborhoods **in the Cholla District.**

- **Arrowhead Lakes Homeowners Association** – The commission voted to recommend the neighborhood's grant request to improve the equestrian trail located on the west side of 51st Avenue north of the Loop 101. The project also includes the upgrading of various traffic circles and medians within the neighborhood.
- **Arrowhead Ranch Phase II (Project #1)** – The commission voted to recommend this neighborhood's grant request to refurbish the depleted granite on 79th Avenue between Union Hills Road and Kerry Lane. The neighborhood will be responsible for all ongoing maintenance costs.
- **Arrowhead Ranch Phase II (Project #2)** – The commission also voted to recommend the neighborhood's request to assist with landscaping improvements on 75th Avenue between Adobe and Utopia. The project also includes curbing, irrigation adjustments and granite.

For more information on the Neighborhood Grants Program, [click here](#) or call the Neighborhood Partnership Office at 623-930-2868.

Glendale's Public Art Collection. Highlights of Glendale's Public Art Collection can be seen in an interactive tour right on your computer. The arts program, funded by the State's first percent-for-art legislation, is designed to increase the public's awareness and appreciation of art.

With the help of the City Council, the Arts Commission began to place artwork in public places throughout the city assuring that all of Glendale's citizens would benefit from a more beautiful and vibrant community. Pictured to the left is "Go, Go, Go" located at the Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center. Once on the tour, click on this or any of the art images to learn about the piece, the artist, location, and inspiration behind its origins. [Interactive tour.](#)



Glendale Avenue Corridor Redevelopment Kickoff Celebration. Please join us at 8 a.m. on June 9 for the Kickoff Celebration for the Glendale Avenue Corridor Redevelopment. The celebration will be held at the former Larry Miller Toyota building at 47th and Glendale avenues where demolition of the old dealership is set to begin at the future sight of the City Court Complex.

Elderly Mobile Sign Project. Drivers will see bigger and better signs along 59th Avenue from Greenway to Cactus and on Thunderbird Road from 51st to 67th avenues. And further north, new signs will be featured on 67th Avenue from Loop 101 to Bell Road and on Union Hills from 59th to 75th avenues.

The street name sign program was designed to assist elderly drivers and pedestrians to identify the name of the street more easily. One of the key factors in determining the location of the new street name signs was selecting streets in proximity to hospitals in Glendale. The \$19,404 grant was issued through the Maricopa Association of Governments. In addition to increasing the size of the signs, the placement of the street name signs are being positioned differently. Street name signs are traditionally placed on top of a stop sign at the street intersection, but the new signs are being attached to the street light pole prior to the actual street.

The replacement signs are 40 percent larger than the existing ones. About 90 signs at 40 intersections will be installed in the next few months. For more information, visit <http://www.glendaleaz.com/transportation>.

Around Town

Film/Discussion Series Highlights Oscar-winning Movies. Film scholar Jeannie Berg, an instructor at both Glendale and Scottsdale Community Colleges, is back for a third year to lead free viewings and discussions about award-winning films from the 1930s to the present at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. The cinema screenings are at 1 p.m., starting June 7 and continuing on consecutive Saturdays through July 26. The first film in the series, on June 7, will be “Mr. Smith Goes to Washington” (1939). [Click here](#) or call (623) 930-3844 for more information.

Ride, Rock and Roll. Ride into summer the extreme way at the city of Glendale’s first Ride, Rock & Roll event, Saturday, June 14, from 6:30 to 9 pm. at [Glendale’s X-Court](#), located on the northeast corner of 83rd Avenue and Bethany Home Road.

The city of Glendale’s Transportation, Utilities and Parks and Recreation departments partnered with Radio Disney to offer residents the chance to watch cool BMX freestyle and skateboarding demonstrations, while participating in a “Flip Your Lid” Helmet Design contest, bike parade and bike beauty pageant, as part of the Travel Green initiative. The city created this first-ever event to promote bike and extreme sports safety, as well as to showcase the park’s versatility. For more information, call (623) 930-2820.

Free CCC-CPR Class. Learn Continuous Chest Compression CPR on Wednesday, June 18 from 7-9 p.m. at Glendale City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. Classes are held once a month at various locations throughout Glendale. To reserve a spot or learn more about CCC-CPR, [click here](#).

2008 Neighborhood Leadership Forum. Glendale’s Citizens Advisory Commission on Neighborhoods will host its annual Leadership Forum and Spark Awards on Saturday, June 28 from 8 to 11: 30 a.m. at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive.

The breakfast event is free and open to all Glendale residents, neighborhood leaders, community volunteers and business owners. [Click here](#) to read more in the news release.

Glendale’s 4th of July Celebration. Get fired up for 4th of July fun! Celebrate America’s birthday in style at Glendale’s 4th of July Celebration at Glendale Community College with hot dogs, water slides, music and fireworks. For more information, call the Special Events Hotline at (623) 930-2299, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events. Glendale Community College is located at 6000 W. Olive Ave.

2nd Annual World Records Day. What in the WORLD is happening on July 26? Breaking records! Do you have what it takes to break a Guinness World Record? Give it your best shot at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center’s 2nd World Records Day on Saturday, July 26 at 10 a.m. This event will showcase a variety of established world records that are just waiting to be broken! This free event will be held in the Coyote Room at the center, located at 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. For more information, call (623) 930-4610.

[Click here](#) for the City Council Meeting schedule.

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